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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1 - 28 (Cancelled).

29. (Previously Presented) Method for manufacturing a layered floor panel;

said floor panel comprising a substrate, one or more layers on top of said substrate and at least one backing layer underneath said substrate:

said one or more layers at least comprising a wear resistant surface layer filled with wear resistant additives as a top layer and a decorative covering layer;

said wear resistant surface layer and said decorative covering layer extending over substantially the whole surface of the panel;

at least one of said wear resistant surface layer and said decorative covering layer including a resin impregnated paper layer;

said floor panel containing at least one antistatic agent distributed in said resin:

wherein the method at least comprises the steps of:

dosing and mixing said antistatic agent into the impregnating composition for said resin impregnated paper layer;

impregnating said paper layer, thereafter drying said resin impregnated paper layer;

and thereafter

stacking at least said wear resistant surface layer, said decorative covering layer, said substrate and said backing layer upon each other and consolidating said layers and substrate to form a plate-shaped direct pressure laminate (DPL) by means of hot pressing.

30. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 29, wherein said backing layer includes a resin impregnated paper layer, and wherein said antistatic agent also is mixed into the impregnating composition for the sheet of the backing layer and/or into an additional layer.

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31. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 29, wherein said

decorative covering layer includes said resin impregnated paper layer;

wherein said print is provided on said paper layer, and the upper surface of the decorative layer is sprayed with a solution of the antistatic agent and further covered

with a surface layer comprising wear resistant additives.

32. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 31, wherein the wear

resistant additives are distributed in the lower part of said surface layer.

33. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 32, wherein said

surface layer is a self supporting cellulose fiber sheet impregnated with melamine

and/or ureum resin having in its lower part wear resistant corundum particles

and/or ureum resin naving in its lower part wear resistant corundum particles distributed therein.

Claims 34-38, (Cancelled)

39. (Currently Amended) A layered floor panel, comprising a substrate, one or

more layers on top of said substrate and at least one backing layer underneath said substrate:

said one or more layers at least comprising a wear resistant surface layer and a

decorative covering layer with a decorative pattern;

both said wear resistant surface layer and said decorative covering layer

including synthetic material and extending over substantially the whole surface of the

panel; wherein

said substrate is a gypsum plaster board; and

wherein said floor panel is provided with complementary edge profiles; said

profiles allowing a mutual coupling of the adjacent panels in order to form a floating

laminated-floor.

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40. (Previously Presented) The layered floor panel according to claim 39,

wherein the floor panel contains at least one antistatic agent evenly distributed in said

synthetic material of at least one of said wear resistant surface layer and said

decorative covering layer.

41. (Previously Presented) The layered floor panel according to claim 39 and

40, wherein said antistatic agent comprises a salt.

42. (Currently Amended) The layered floor panel according to claim 41,

wherein said salt is NAC1NaC1.

43. (Currently Amended) The layered floor panel according to claim 41,

wherein said salt is KC1 KC1 or a combination of NAC1 and KC1 NaCl and KC1.

44. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29 and 31, wherein

said antistatic agent comprises a salt.

45. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 44, wherein said salt

is NAC1<u>NaCl</u>.

46. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 44, wherein said salt

is KC1 KCl or a combination of NAC1 and KC1NaCl and KCl.

47. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29 or 31, wherein

said method comprises the step of providing said floor panel with complementary

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milled-out edge profiles; said profiles allowing a mutual coupling of the adjacent panels in order to form a floating laminated floor.

48. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29 or 30, wherein said decorative covering layer includes said resin impregnated paper layer and

wherein said print is provided on said paper layer.

49. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29 or 31, wherein

said substrate comprises material selected from the group consisting of glued and

pressed wood-based board, MDF, HDF, particle board, OSB wood and multiplex.

50. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29 or 31, wherein

said substrate comprises gypsum plaster board or extruded wood.

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